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**Web launch for construction health and safety best practice**

The Strategic Forum Health and Safety working group have produced a health and safety best practice section on their website.

The group identified that one of the best ways to make progress on health and safety was to recognise and share best practice. The website draws together a wealth of useful information in one place and will be particularly valuable to SMEs.

The web pages are divided into three distinct sections:

- Practical advice
- The regulatory environment; and
- Lessons to be learnt from “near hits”

The information on the site is drawn together from a number of respected industry groups including the HSE, ConstructionSkills, Construction Plant-Hire Association, Step Change in Safety and the Major Contractors Group.

Stephen Ratcliffe said: “I believe this is a great way for the industry to accelerate progress and work in partnership to draw together the very best of health and safety practice across our industry”

To find out more visit the Health and Safety resources section at [www.strategicforum.org.uk](http://www.strategicforum.org.uk). The web pages will be regularly updated and anyone wishing to contribute information, case studies or examples of best practice should contact Caroline Page on 020 7227 4509 or [caroline.page@thecc.org.uk](mailto:caroline.page@thecc.org.uk).

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Notes for editors:

- 1) The working group was chaired by Stephen Ratcliffe, Chief Executive of the Construction Confederation. The remit for the group was to review methods of sharing information working towards establishing a single route to information on areas such as best practice and ‘near hits’.
- 2) The principal role of the Strategic Forum for Construction is to coordinate, monitor, measure and report on progress under 4 key agendas. The Health and Safety Group is a sub-committee of the Strategic Forum, working in collaboration in delivering on the health and safety agenda.
- 3) The Strategic Forum for Construction is the only construction forum that seeks to represent the whole of the construction community. It comprises senior members of the constituent organisations who are committed to addressing the health and safety issues of the construction industry through ownership, leadership and partnership. The forum’s activities are both proactive and reactive but at all times seek to work in partnership across the industry to achieve long term improvements.